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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT/RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action mailed September 9, 2002 please find the below comments and amendments.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please insert the following:

--CROSS RELATED APPLICATIONS

ai This application is a National Stage of International Application No. PCT/CA97/00506, filed July 17, 1997, which was published in English and claimed priority to provisional application 60/021,940 filed on July 17, 1996.--

Please amend the Specification as follows. A version with markings to show changes made to the specification is included herewith as Appendix B.

At page 10, line 22 extending to page 11, line 4, please replace the current paragraph with the following replacement paragraph:

02 --Substances which inhibit transcription and/or translation of the gene encoding CYP2A6 include a nucleic acid sequence encoding the CYP2A6 gene (see Figure 2A, Genbank Accession No. HSU22027 (SEQ ID NO:1)) or parts thereof (e.g., the region which is about 20 nucleotides on either side of nucleotide 790 (ATG), and the splice sites 1237, 2115, 2499, 3207, 4257, 4873,

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